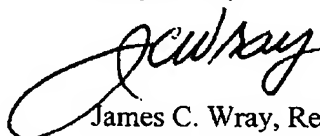


the claims. Therefore, citing Lucas in a first action final rejection is in error and unjustly deprives Applicant the opportunity to adequately rebut the rejections and have the arguments and/or amendments entered in the case.

Reconsideration, withdrawal of the finality, and re-issue of a non-final office action are respectfully requested.

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